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Title: PIEZOELECTRIC ELEMENT AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION
THEREOF

1. Type of Application

This is a request for filing a CONTINUATION-IN-PART APPLICATION under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b), of pending prior application:

Serial No.: 09/953,674, Prior Art Unit: 2834
Filed: September 17, 2001, Prior Examiner: Not Assigned
Title: PIEZOELECTRIC ELEMENT AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION THEREOF
Inventors: Toshikatsu KASHIWAYA and Mutsumi KITAGAWA.

2. Papers enclosed

A. Required (in JAPANESE) for filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular) are:

27 Page(s) of Specification
5 Page(s) of Claims
1 Page(s) of Abstract
6 Sheets of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1(a)-8)

B. Other Papers Enclosed

A Patent Application Bibliographic Data
 A Preliminary Amendment
 An Information Disclosure Statement
 PTO Form-1449

3. Additional Papers to Follow Under Separate Cover

[] A combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
 [] A Submission of Certified Copy of Priority Document and a certified copy of:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
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Japan	2001-388,313	December 20, 2001
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[] An Assignment Transmittal and Assignment of the invention to:

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5. Relate Back

A. 35 U.S.C. 119(e)

[] Priority of provisional application Serial No. _____, filed _____, is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e).

B. 35 U.S.C. 120, 121 and 365(c)

[] Priority of said prior application 09/953,674, filed September 17, 2001, is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120.

C. 35 U.S.C. 119 Priority Claim for Prior Application

[] Priority of foreign application(s) is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 as follows:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2000-286,115	September 20, 2000
Japan	2001-388,313	December 20, 2001

[] A certified copy of **Japanese Application 2000-286,115** was filed in prior application Serial No. 09/953,674 on September 17, 2001.
 [] A certified copy of **Japanese Application 2001-388,313** will follow under separate cover.

6. Amend the specification by inserting after the title and before the first line the sentence:

--Cross Reference to Related Applications

This application is a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/953,674 filed September 17, 2001, the entirety of which is incorporated herein by reference. This application also claims the benefit of Japanese Application 2000-286,115, filed September 20, 2000, and Japanese Application 2001-388,313, filed December 20, 2001, the entireties of which are incorporated herein by reference.--

7. Nonpublication Request Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

Applicants hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

Applicants hereby request that the attached application **not be** published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

8. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Filing fee (37 CFR §1.16(a))				\$ 740.00
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	
Total Claims	29 - 20 =	9	× \$ 18.00	\$ 162.00
Independent Claims	5 - 3 =	2	× \$ 84.00	\$ 168.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)				+ \$280.00
Surcharge fees (37 C.F.R. 1.16(e)--\$130.00)				\$ 130.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> late payment of filing fee <i>and/or</i>				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> late filing of original declaration or oath (37 C.F.R. 1.16(e)--\$130.00)				
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$ 1,200.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				
SUBTOTAL =				\$ 1,200.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fee for processing an application filed with a specification in a non-English language (37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) and 1.52(d)--\$130.00)				\$ 130.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignment Fee (37 CFR §1.21(h)--\$40.00)				\$ 40.00
TOTAL FEES DUE =				\$ 1,370.00

9. Payment of Fees and Authorization to Charge Additional Fees or Credit Overpayment

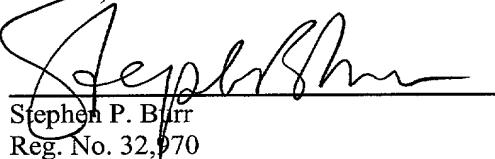
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1446. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.

Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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